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STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION APPOINTS BSU PRESIDENTIAL SCREENING COMMITTEE

The Boise State University Presidential Screening Committee has been named by the Idaho State Board of Education. The members were selected from nominations and applications received, and are based upon commitment to Boise State University and its role in Idaho higher education.

The Committee's composition is organized to represent widespread interest and campus groups, yet is small enough to ensure functionality and efficiency. The Committee will be responsible for recruiting and screening applicants, performing preliminary reference checks, and making a recommendation to the State Board of Education. The State Board will ultimately make the decision as to which candidate is hired for the position.

Opportunities for input from individuals and groups not included on the Screening Committee will also be provided. "The Board is interested in ensuring that interested parties have an opportunity to contribute and participate in choosing the next president of Boise State University. The Board plans to provide community and campus members an opportunity to participate in the selection process through on-campus visits and receptions with the finalists," stated Board President Blake Hall.

Preliminary projections show that it will take up to eight months to complete the search process. Screening Committee Chair and State Board member Rod Lewis noted, "the Board is keenly aware of the significance and long-term impact of appointing a new university president. Our goal is to find a truly dynamic leader able to enhance the success and quality of the institution."

Dr. Charles Ruch, the fifth president in Boise State history, announced his plans to retire in the summer of 2003. Dr. Ruch has agreed to remain president until a successor has been appointed.

A list of the BSU Presidential Screening Committee Members is attached.

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**BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY
PRESIDENTIAL SCREENING COMMITTEE**

Appointed by the State Board of Education, the following individuals represent the University's major constituencies and the community at large, including the governing board, students, faculty, administration, alumni, foundation, athletic association, and business and industry.

Roderic Lewis, Chair
State Board of Education Secretary
Micron Technology, Chief Legal Officer
Resides in Eagle, Idaho

Charles Wilson
Wilson Properties
Member BSU Foundation
Resides in Boise, Idaho

Mark Dunham
Executive Vice President, Idaho Association of Realtors
Past President BSU Alumni Association
Member BSU Foundation
Resides in Boise, Idaho
Milford Terrell
DeBest Plumbing & Mechanical, Inc.
Past President Bronco Athletic Association
Resides in Eagle, Idaho

Carol Martin
Professor, Department of English
Boise State University
Resides in Boise, Idaho

Lynn Russell
Dean, College of Engineering
Boise State University
Resides in Boise, Idaho

Ed Dahlberg
President and CEO
St. Luke's Regional Medical Center
Resides in Boise, Idaho

Chris Mathias
President, Associated Students of BSU
Resides in Boise, Idaho

Sheila Sorensen
State Senator
Resides in Boise, Idaho

